mation to be given to the good people of this Province where Lib. H. D. they ought to Apply themselves for the Recording of their Patents for Land according to his Mats pleasure by the aforesd Ord Signifyed; I have (upon application of the sd Sr Thomas, by and with the advice of his Mts honrble Councill and according to the Opinion of Mr Attorney and Sollicitor Gen" therein here had) thought fit to Notifve and make known that his Mats sd Ordr directs all Patents for Land to be Recorded in the Land Office among the rest of the Records there now in the Custody of the sd Sr Thomas to the End all persons concern'd may make their application accordingly, hereby strictly charging & Commanding the Severall Sherriffs of the Province to publish this in all Church's Chappells and other publick Places of meeting within their respec- p. 412 tive Counties; Given at the Port of Annapolis under the Broad Seal of the province this 12th day of October in the Eigth year of his Mats Reign Anno Domini 1696.

God Save the King. ffr: Nicholson

Ordr abt Patents for Lands &ca Upon Representacon and by advice in Councill Ordered that noe person for the future imploy'd or Concern'd for the Rt honrble Charles Lord Baron of Baltemore Lord & Propty of this Province or his Agent, abt the issueing out Patents for Land within this Province do prsume to deliver any of the same to the parties concern'd, untill they have been Recorded in the Land Office, among the Whitehall other Land Records, remaining in the Custody of the honrble the Secretary according to the directions of his Mats Royall Ordr in Councill of the 13th of ffebry last past.

Mr Denton appointed Nav^{II} Officer of the Port of Annapolis in the Room and Stead of Capt Richd Hill Recd a Commission from his Exncy for the same, having Enter'd into Bond with one Whitehall Sufficient Security for his due discharge of that trust.

The s^d Denton makes Oath to two Lists of Shiping & an Acco^t in full of what he has been concern'd with as Dep^{ty} Collector within this Port.